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TWENTY YEARS AGO, BRITISH RESEARCH SCIENTISTS JONATHAN AND MIRIAM DREW WERE WORKING ON TOP-SECRET GENETIC EXPERIMENTS FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

AN ACCIDENT IN THEIR LAB DAMAGED THE CHROMOSOMES OF AN UNBORN JESSICA DREW'S PRENATAL FETAL TISSUE, BUT THE DREW'S DAUGHTER WAS BORN NORMAL AND LIVED A HAPPY CHILDHOOD IN THE BEAUTIFUL EUROPEAN COUNTRY-SIDE OF WUNDAGORE MOUNTAIN.

AS JONATHAN'S EXPERIMENTS AND MENTAL STATE FELL APART, HIS DAUGHTER STARTED SHOWING SIGNS OF GENETIC MALFUNCTION. DESPERATE, JONATHAN STARTED TO RUN SECRET TESTS ON HIS OWN DAUGHTER.

WHEN MIRIAM FOUND OUT THE HORRIBLE TRUTH--THAT HER DAUGHTER WAS DYING AND THAT HER HUSBAND WAS USING THE GIRL AS A GUINEA PIG--SHE INTERVENED. THE SCENE TURNED VIOLENT, AND YOUNG JESSICA LASHED OUT AT HER FATHER WITH FANTASTIC POWERS SHE DIDN'T EVEN KNOW SHE HAD BEFORE SHE BLACKED OUT. NOW, TEN YEARS LATER, JESSICA WAKES UP OUT OF A COMA IN AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT WORLD...

...THE WORLD OF **HYDRA**.

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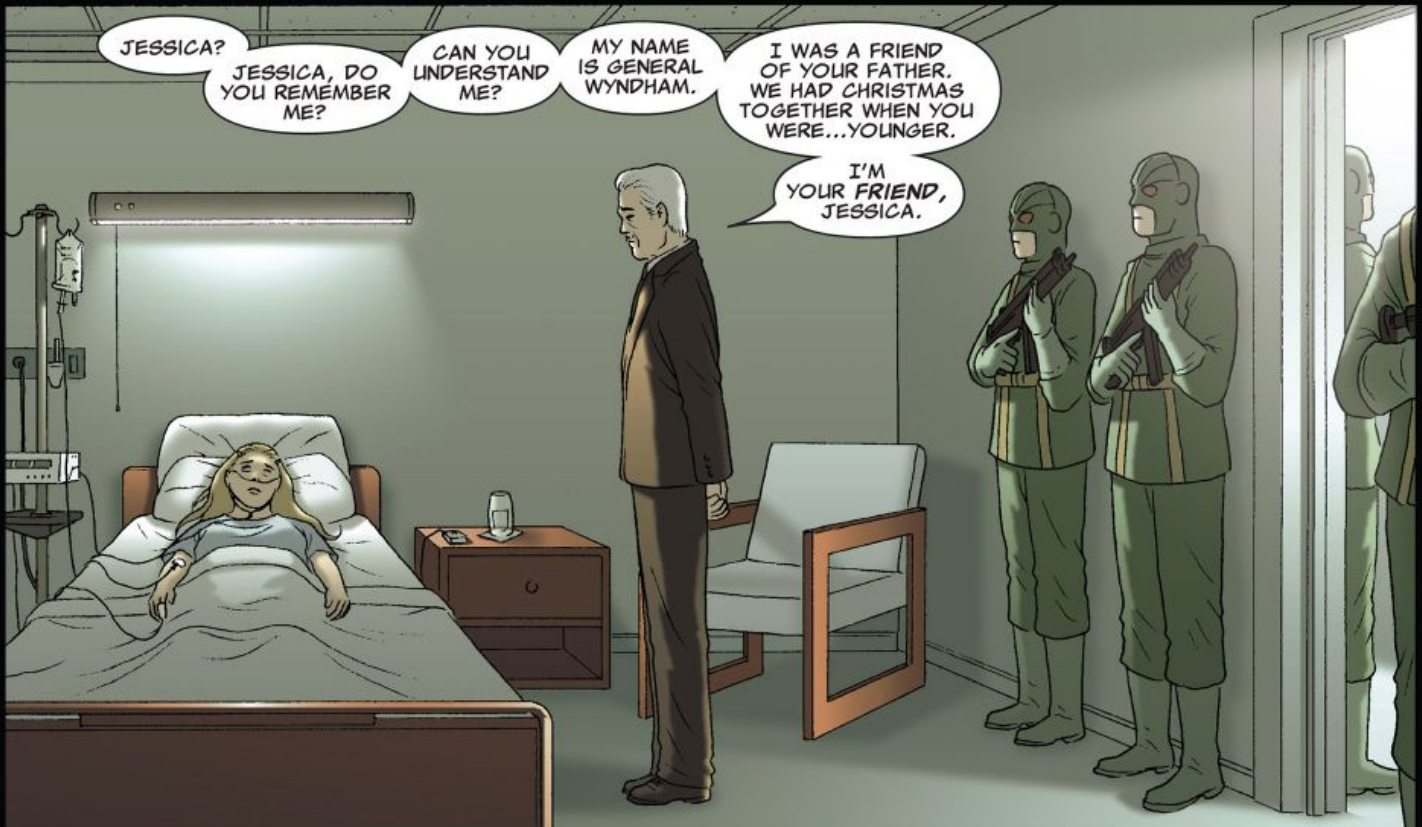
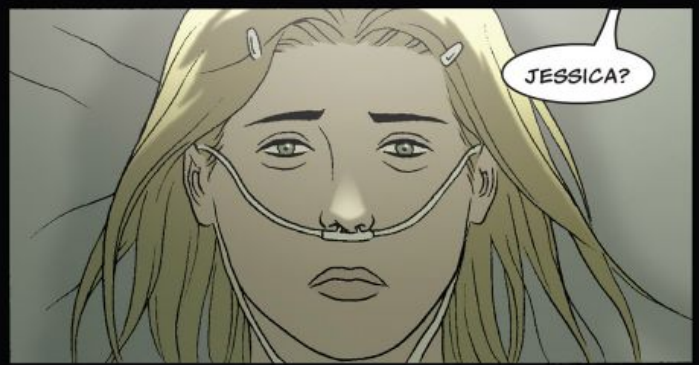
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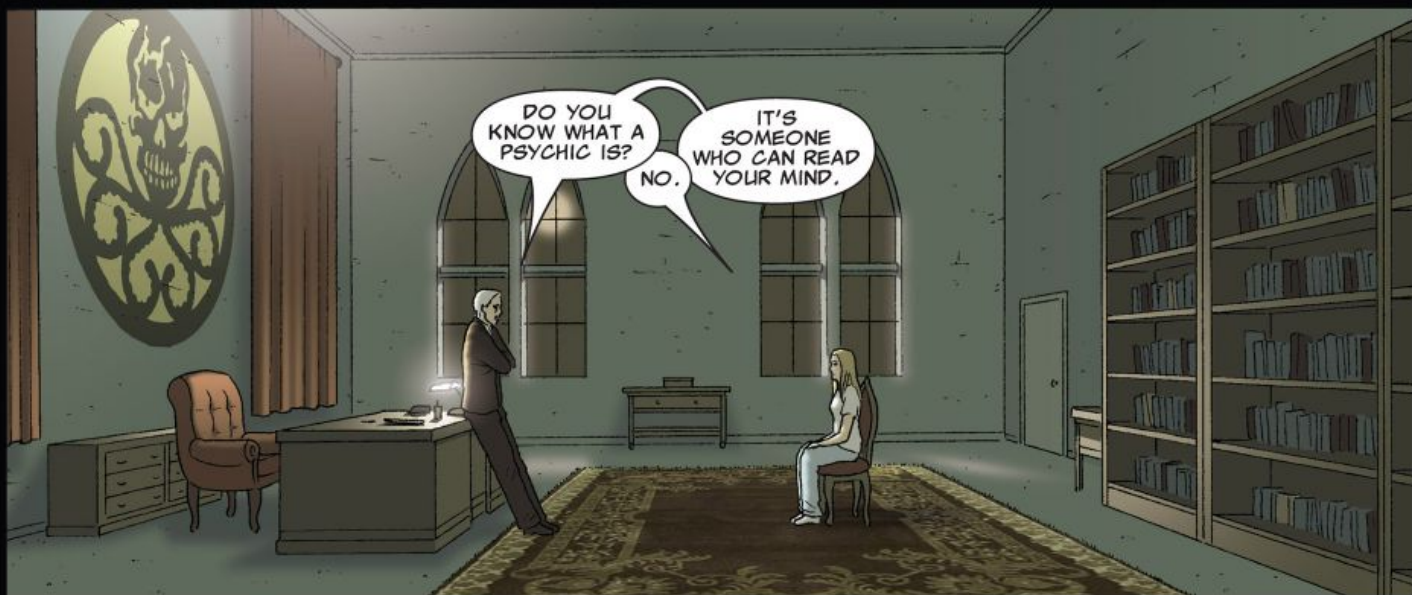
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DO YOU
KNOW WHAT A
PSYCHIC IS?

NO.

IT'S
SOMEONE
WHO CAN READ
YOUR MIND.



REALLY?



THIS
IS MARVIN
FLUMM.
ONE
OF OUR PSYCHIC
OPERATIVES.



WHAT'S--
WHAT'S AN
OPERATIVE?



WE'LL GET
TO THAT SOON
ENOUGH.

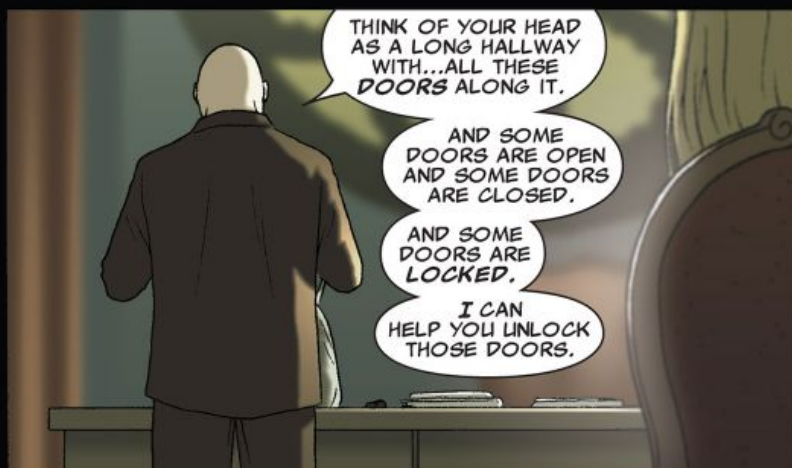
BUT MARVIN
HERE CAN HELP YOU
REMEMBER WHAT
HAPPENED TO YOU AND
YOUR PARENTS.

IS THAT
SOMETHING
YOU WANT? DO
YOU WANT TO
REMEMBER?

REMEMBER?

WILL--
WILL IT
HURT?

NO. NOT
EVEN A LITTLE
BIT.



THINK OF YOUR HEAD
AS A LONG HALLWAY
WITH...ALL THESE
DOORS ALONG IT.

AND SOME
DOORS ARE OPEN
AND SOME DOORS
ARE CLOSED.

AND SOME
DOORS ARE
LOCKED.

I CAN
HELP YOU UNLOCK
THOSE DOORS.



YOU GUYS
ARE REALLY
FREAKING ME
OUT.





I'VE
SEEN YOUR
FILES.
THINGS
WERE DONE
TO YOU.

THEY GOT
TO YOU EARLY
ON.



THEY
PICKED AT YOUR
BRAIN.



THEY JUST
WANTED TO MAKE
SURE THEY COULD
CONTROL YOU.

YOU'RE
ONE-OF-
A-KIND.



THEY COULDN'T
VERY WELL LET YOU
OUT INTO THE WORLD
WITHOUT SOME SORT
OF GUARANTEE.

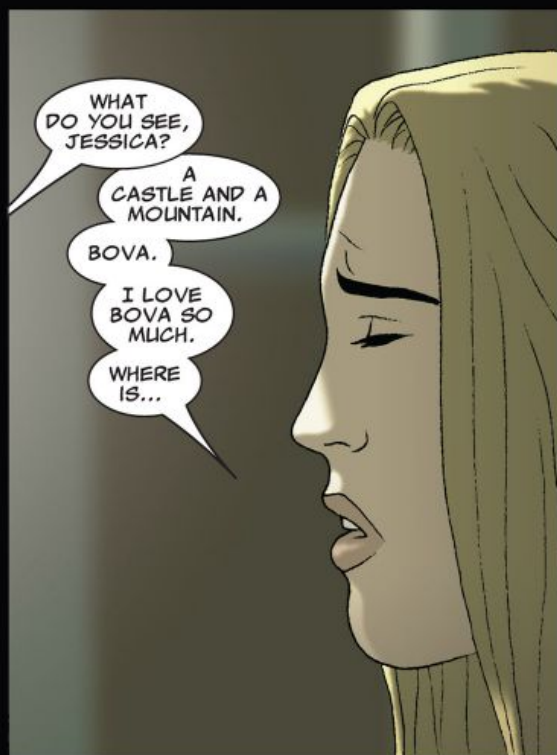
THAT'S WHAT
HAPPENS WHEN YOU'RE
A ONE-OF-A-KIND, FIRST-
OF-A-KIND SPECIAL
GIRL.



THEY JUST
WANTED TO MAKE
SURE THEY COULD
CONTROL YOU.



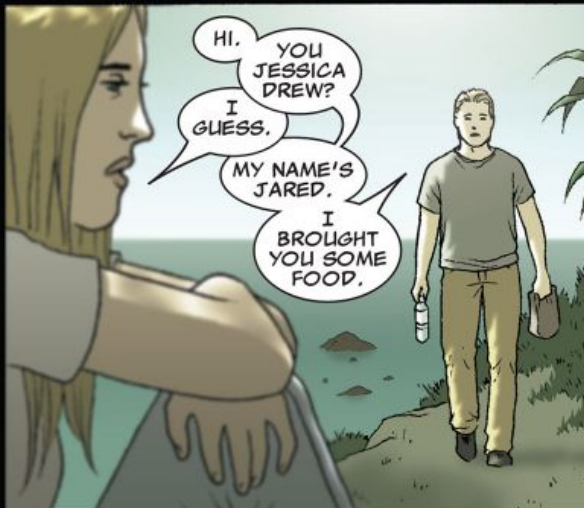
WHAT ARE
YOU SEEING,
JESSICA? WHAT
DOES IT FEEL
LIKE?





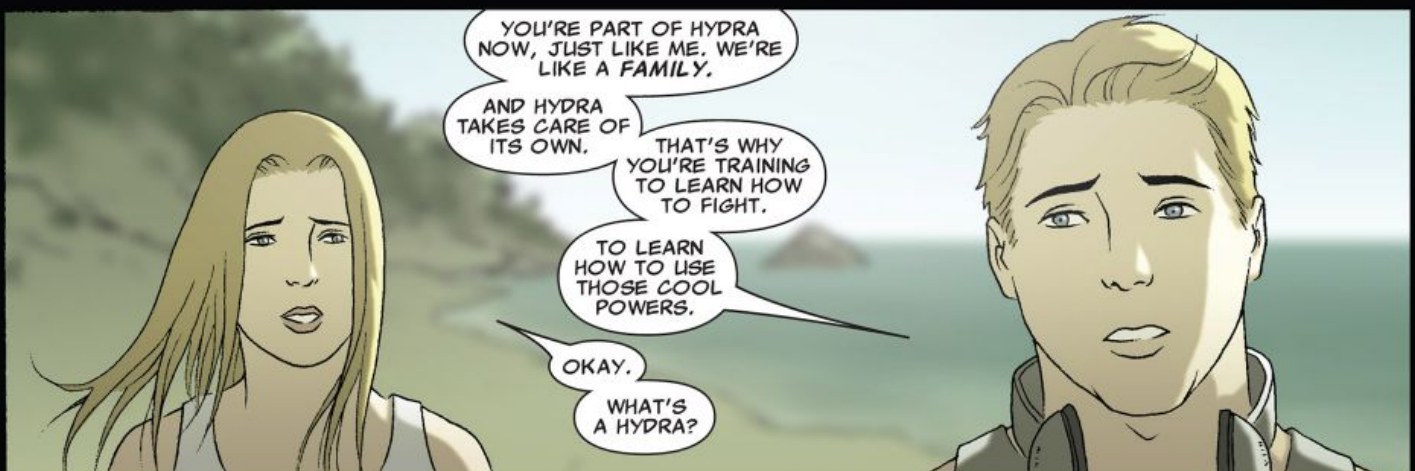
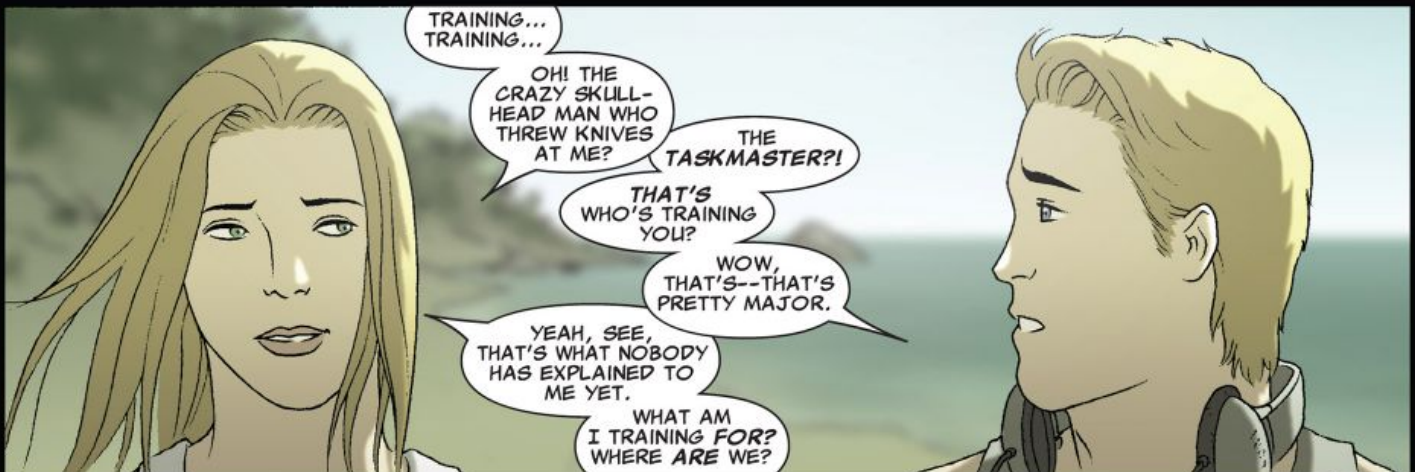


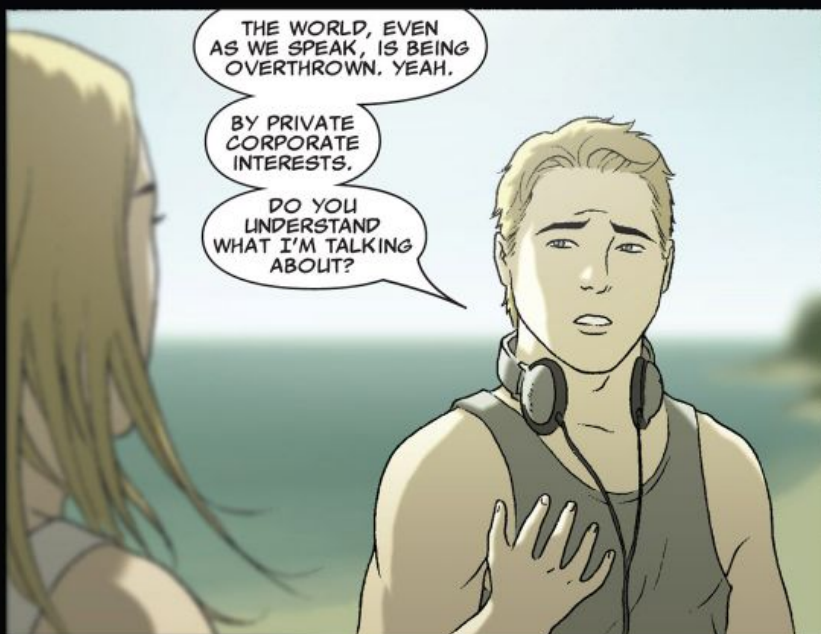












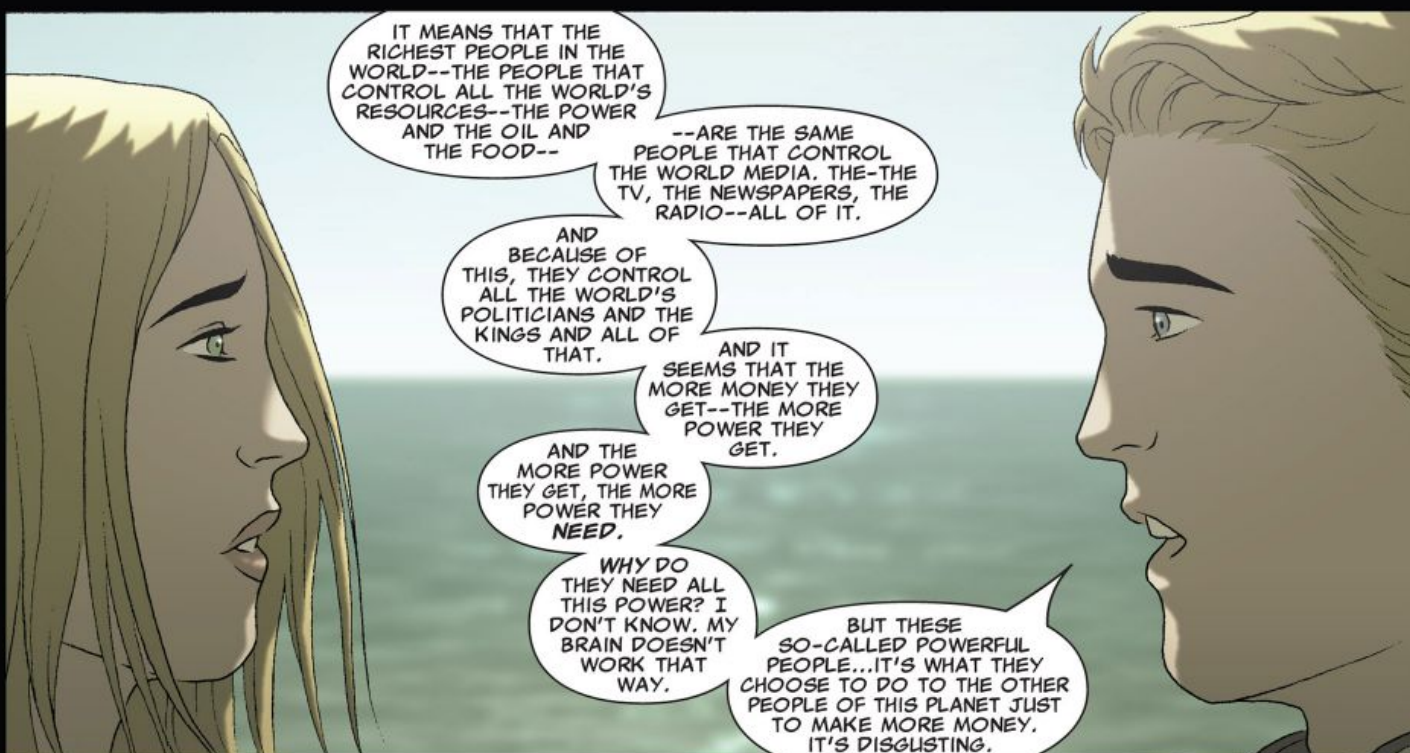
THE WORLD, EVEN AS WE SPEAK, IS BEING OVERTHROWN. YEAH.

BY PRIVATE CORPORATE INTERESTS.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT?



NOT EVEN A LITTLE.



IT MEANS THAT THE RICHEST PEOPLE IN THE WORLD--THE PEOPLE THAT CONTROL ALL THE WORLD'S RESOURCES--THE POWER AND THE OIL AND THE FOOD--

--ARE THE SAME PEOPLE THAT CONTROL THE WORLD MEDIA. THE-TV, THE NEWSPAPERS, THE RADIO--ALL OF IT.

AND BECAUSE OF THIS, THEY CONTROL ALL THE WORLD'S POLITICIANS AND THE KINGS AND ALL OF THAT.

AND IT SEEMS THAT THE MORE MONEY THEY GET--THE MORE POWER THEY GET.

AND THE MORE POWER THEY GET, THE MORE POWER THEY NEED.

WHY DO THEY NEED ALL THIS POWER? I DON'T KNOW. MY BRAIN DOESN'T WORK THAT WAY.

BUT THESE SO-CALLED POWERFUL PEOPLE...IT'S WHAT THEY CHOOSE TO DO TO THE OTHER PEOPLE OF THIS PLANET JUST TO MAKE MORE MONEY. IT'S DISGUSTING.



THEY RUIN THE FOOD, THEY RUIN THE AIR. THEY POISON PEOPLE SLOWLY BUT SURELY.

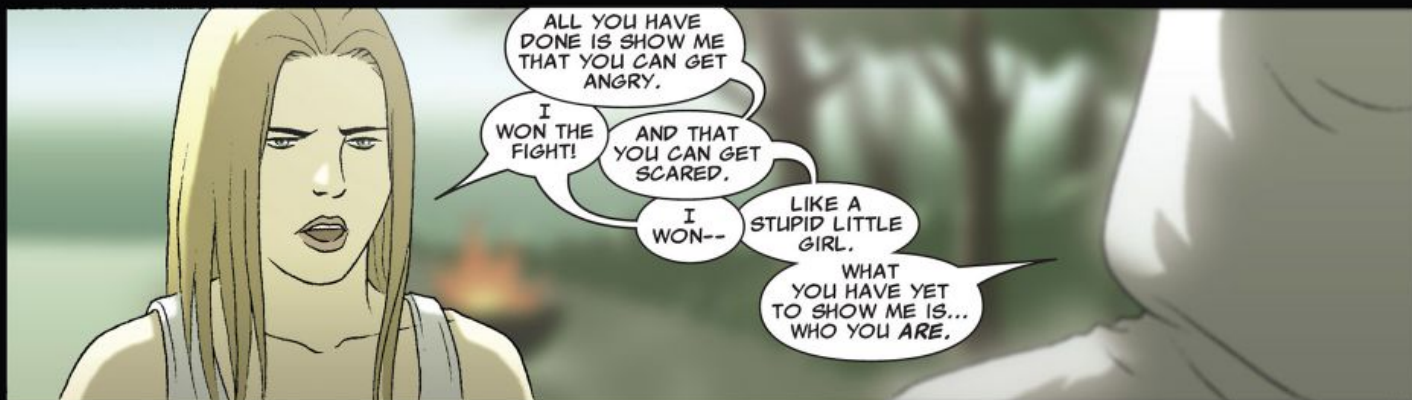
AND THE INNOCENT PEOPLE OF THE WORLD DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW SCREWED THEY ARE BECAUSE THE PEOPLE IN CHARGE OF GETTING INFORMATION OUT TO THEM ARE THE SAME PEOPLE SCREWING THEM.

AND WHAT DOES HYDRA DO?



WE FIGHT BACK.







JESSICA?



GENERAL?
DID MY PARENTS WORK
FOR HYDRA?



NO ONE
WORKS FOR
HYDRA,
JESSICA.
WE ARE
HYDRA.



WERE
THEY
HYDRA?



OF COURSE
THEY WERE.

WHY DIDN'T
I KNOW THAT?
I THOUGHT THEY
WORKED FOR
THE BRITISH
GOVERNMENT.

I
THOUGHT YOU
DID TOO.

WE DID.

AT ONE
TIME.

YOUR FATHER
JUST MAY HAVE BEEN
WAITING TO TELL YOU
WHEN YOU WERE OLDER
SO HE COULD PROPERLY
EXPLAIN IT TO YOU.

YOUR FATHER
WORKED DEEP INSIDE
THE GOVERNMENT AND
HE KNEW FIRSTHAND HOW
BADLY IT WAS FAILING THE
PEOPLE IT WAS SUPPOSED
TO BE PROTECTING.

HE BELIEVED
IN HYDRA MORE
THAN ANY MAN I
HAVE EVER KNOWN.



GENERAL...
I'M READY.

FOR WHAT
YOU'RE TRAINING
ME FOR. I WANT
TO DO MY
PART.

I'M
READY.



I'LL
SPEAK TO YOUR
TEACHER.

HAIL
HYDRA.



HAIL
HYDRA.









HE'S BEEN OUT OF CONTACT FOR A WEEK.

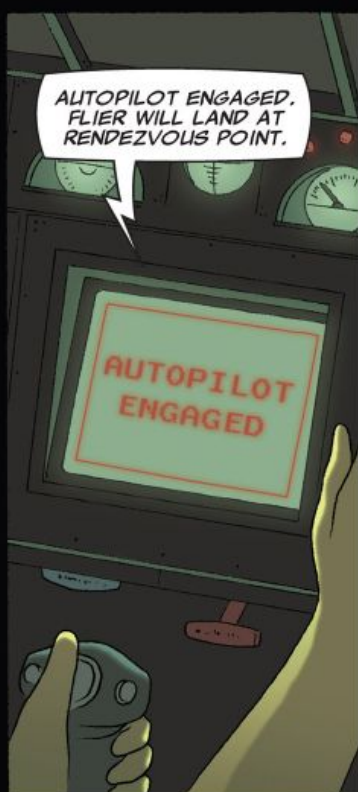
WE BELIEVE THAT AGENT JARED GOLD AND HIS TEAM HAVE BEEN CAPTURED BY AGENTS OF S.H.I.E.L.D.

YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT S.H.I.E.L.D. EMPLOYS PSYCHICS OF THEIR OWN, AND ONCE JARED'S MIND IS BROKEN--

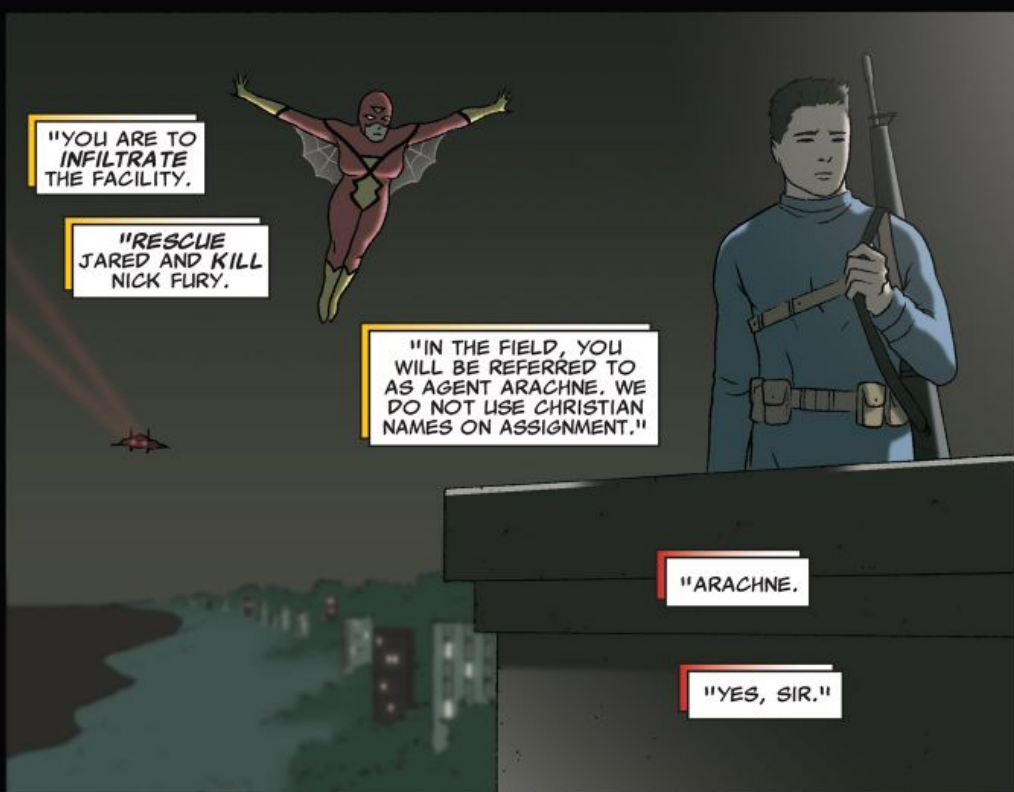


"WE BELIEVE THAT JARED HAS BEEN TAKEN TO A S.H.I.E.L.D. FACILITY JUST OUTSIDE OF MONACO."

"INTEL TELLS US THAT S.H.I.E.L.D.'S HIGH COMMANDER, NICK FURY, HAS JUST ARRIVED THERE AS WELL."



AUTOPILOT ENGAGED. FLIER WILL LAND AT RENDEZVOUS POINT.



"YOU ARE TO INFILTRATE THE FACILITY."

"RESCUE JARED AND KILL NICK FURY."

"IN THE FIELD, YOU WILL BE REFERRED TO AS AGENT ARACHNE. WE DO NOT USE CHRISTIAN NAMES ON ASSIGNMENT."

"ARACHNE."

"YES, SIR."



I'M
GOING TO
KILL YOU FOR
WHAT YOU'VE
DONE!



TO BE CONTINUED...